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Appellant's Reply Brief of October 15, 2007 in response to the Examiner's Answer dated August 23, 2007 has been fully and carefully considered. The examiner acknowledge's appellant's re-iteration that the Examiner's Answer fails to make a prima facie case of obviousness with respect to the combination of references to Abene, Nadeau and Jones, the examiner respectfully disagrees with appellant's interpretation and application of these references and maintains that when read in their entirety the references in combination render obvious to one having ordinary skill in the art a method for suggesting a pet food for a pet comprising the steps of obtaining an individual pet profile for pet, processing the individual pet profile, suggesting a premanufactured kibble that correlates with the processed pet profile, suggesting a pre-manufacture additive that correlates with the processed pet profile, obtaining a biological sample analysis from the pet after the pet has eaten a combination of the kibble and additive and suggesting a second pre-manufactured kibble and additive that is based on the biological sample analysis and the individual pet profile and providing feeding instructions for the pet as set forth in the Examiner's Answer of August 23, 2007.

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